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**PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3), Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the May 21, 2002 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before November 21, 2002. The fee of \$920.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

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